

Curriculum Vitae
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1 Personal

- Date of birth: March 28, 1963 in Bensheim/Germany
- Nationality: German, since 1990 living and working The Netherlands
- Two daughters, Mira Bella (1998) and Marie Sophie (2003).

2 Education and Academic Degrees

- October 1995. **PhD Social Sciences**. Thesis: "'Should auld Acquaintance be forgot...?' The Institutions of Communism, the Transition to Capitalism, and Personal Networks: The Case of East Germany." Interuniversity Center of Social Science Theory and Methodology (ICS)/Dept. of Sociology, Utrecht University, The Netherlands. Promotors: Henk Flap, (Utrecht); Tom Snijders (Groningen); Kurt Mühler (Leipzig University, Germany).
- August 1990. **MSc Psychology, ('Diplom')**. University of Heidelberg/Germany (focus: theoretical psychology, social psychology, methods). Grade: '*sehr gut*'/cum laude.
- October 1982 – February 1984. Candidate **Philosophy, Modern History, and Applied Mathematics**.
- August 1982. Graduation Secondary School, '**Abitur**', Gymnasium 'Institutae Sanctae Mariae', Bensheim /Germany. Grade: '*sehr gut*'.

3 Academic Positions

- 2022-: **Director** Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (**NSCR**), Amsterdam
- 2020-2021: Head of Department **Human Geography and Spatial Planning** Utrecht University.
- 2019-2021: Full professor '**Urban Living and Social Networks**', Dept. of Human Geography and Spatial Planning, Utrecht University.
- 2014 – 2019: Full professor/**Chair of Research Group** 'Institutions, Inequalities and Life Courses'; Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam. **Chair title: 'Sociology, inequality and networks'**, Dept. of Sociology, University of Amsterdam.
- 2012 - 2014: Full professor '**Sociology of Social Capital**'. Dept. of Sociology, Utrecht University.
- 2007 - 2012: **Professor by special appointment, 'Sociological determinants of prosocial behavior'**, Dept. of Sociology, Utrecht University. Endowed professorship by the 'Van der Gaag Stichting'/Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences; KNAW.
- 2002 - 2007: **Associate Professor**, Dept. of Sociology/ICS; Utrecht University.
- 2001 - 2005. **KNAW fellow/VIDI researcher**. ICS/UU.
- 1997 – 2001. **Postdoctoral researcher, VEMI** (PPS) grant by NWO.
- 1996 - 1997. **Full Professor, fixed term**, ('*Vertretungsprofessur*'); chair: 'Empirical Research in the Social Sciences' at the Department of Sociology, University of Aachen (RWTH), Germany; (1.0fte).
- 1995 - 1996. **Postdoctoral Researcher**, University Grant, University of Groningen (0.8fte).
- 1995 – 2003. **Researcher at 'Bureau Driessen, Bureau for Social Science Research and Advice'**, Utrecht. (Freelance, 0.2 – 0.4 fte).
- 1990 - 1995. **PhD fellow**, Dept. of Sociology/ICS, Utrecht University

- 1987 - 1988. **Research Assistant** at the ‘International Institute for Research in Educational Science’, Frankfurt/a.M. Germany.
- 1985 - 1988. **Junior Research Assistant**. Department of Theoretical Psychology, University of Heidelberg, Germany.

4 Grants/honors

- 2022 Grant for organization of NWA route Conflict and Cooperation (44k)
- 2021
 - Seed money Dynamics of Youth, Research: Covid and intergenerational Networks (50 k€);
 - Pathways to Sustainability/DoY, Youth and sustainable behavior in neighborhoods (20k€, with team of colleagues UU)
- 2017-2020. Grant for a junior researcher. NWO/NWA-program: Towards Resilient Societies. (120 k€)
- 2016-. Elected member of the KHMW, Royal Holland Society of Sciences and Humanities.
- 2016-2020. NWO talent grant (Dragana Stojmenovska, 250k€)
- 2014. Seed money UU: ‘starting up’ grant, research on spatial mobility and well-being. 10k€ (with Gideon Bolt), by the focus area ‘Sustainability’.
- 2013. Seed-money by the focus-area of the University ‘Origins and Impact of Institutions’ (10k€).
- 2012. Grant from the Ministry of Internal Affairs for research on cleavages, segregation, and inequality (15 k€).
- 2010- Elected member of the European Academy of Sociology (EAS).
- 2009-2015. NWO-medium investment grant (650k€) for data collection; title “The Dutch neighborhood and network monitor - causes and consequences of neighborhood social and physical order for private and corporate actors, their networks and their ‘life chances’” (co-applicant: Veronique Schutjens, Economic Geography, UU).
- 2009. Grant from Utrecht University in the focus area: ‘origins and impact of institutions’, for organizing a workshop and preparing a research proposal (together with Oscar Gelderblom, Dept. of Economic History, UU), 20 k€.
- 2009-2013. Grant from ‘Fritz Thyssen Stiftung’ Cologne, for data collection and PhD student (ca. 120 k€; in collaboration with Jaap Dennissen, Tilburg University, and Marcel van Aken, Utrecht University)
- 2008. Grant from KNAW/ van der Gaag Stichting for research on neighborhood diversity and trust in neighbors; together with Peer Scheepers, Nijmegen University (25 k€)
- 2008. Grant from KNAW/van der Gaag for organization of symposium on an interdisciplinary approach of prosocial behavior (12 k€)
- 2006-2010. ‘High Potential’ grant from Utrecht University, (an award for duos of researchers; 1000 k€. Title: ‘Life chances of firms and neighborhoods. Co-applicant: Veronique Schutjens (UU).
- 2005-2010. Grant from NWO/STIP ‘Met of zonder middenveld? Een vergelijkend onderzoek naar de mobiliserende en intermediaire rol van de locale sociale infrastructuur bij processen van coproductie’. with Rene Torenvlied (UU, 300k€).
- 2005-2010. Elected ‘Young member’ of the Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences (*‘Jonge Akademie; DJA-KNAW* (12 k€).
- 2002. Grant for a KNAW-Akademie colloquium, (with Henk Flap. ‘Creation and Returns of Social Capital’(35k€.)
- 2001-2006. NWO-VIDI grant. Personal grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO), *Vernieuwingsimpuls*. Project: ‘Where Friends are Made. Contexts, Contacts, Consequences.’ (2001, 700k€)
- 2000. KNAW-fellowship. Personal grant from the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences. Project: ‘Closed, crosscutting, and radial structures of personal networks. Context conditions and consequences’ (2000) declined because of VIDI project. (350K€)
- 1999. ISW-Grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for organization of international conference (SCALE, Amsterdam, December 8 – 11, 1999; 30k€)

- 1997-2001. NWO-VENI grant. Personal grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) Project: 'The Local Social Arena. Meeting and 'Mating' in the Neighborhood' (1997, (350k€)
- 1997-2000. Research grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for four years postdoctoral research and budget for fieldwork. Project: 'Doing your Job. Work related social capital and networks at work' (500k€).
- 1997-2002. Grant for research from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for a PhD project '15 million neighbors. Neighbor networks in The Netherlands' (260 k€).
- 1996-1997. University grant for a 12-months fellowship, University of Groningen, Dept of Sociology (90k€).
- 1992-1995: IR-Grants from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for travelling to international conferences. (10k€)
- 1993. Grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for a research visit at Columbia University, New York (4 months;10k€)
- 1992. Grant from the German Science Foundation (DFG) for a PhD- project in East Germany. (Ph.D. student: Per Kropp, University of Leipzig). 3 years of research and budget for fieldwork. Proposal was written together with Reinhard Wippler and Kurt Mühler (Leipzig). Project 'Personal networks and job attainment after the institutional turn. (150k€)
- 1991-1994. Grant for Ph.D. research, the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO); 3 years of research and budget for fieldwork. Proposal was written together with Henk Flap and Tom Snijders. Project: 'Personal networks in East Germany after the institutional change'(270k€).
- 1989. Erasmus Grant for exchange/visiting program and study at the University of Leiden, The Netherlands. (10k€)

5 Supervision and Coordination of Research Projects

a) Project supervision

Ongoing PhD supervision:

- Sport and society. Susan Lange (UU 2020-2024)
- Social Networks of patients in forensic institutes (TBS) Lydia Pomp (Expertisecentrum Forensische Psychiatrie Utrecht; to be completed in 2022).
- Leadership and member's network status as determinants of exchange dynamics. (U-Gent, Roeliene van Es, to be completed in 2023).

Phd supervision (completed):

- 'The live of others. Network segregation and social capital in Chile'. Gabriel Otero (UU, defended April 4, 2022).
- 'Men's Place'. Dragana Stojmenovska (UvA, defended February 2022).
- 'Contexts, Networks and Diversity' Marina Tulin (UvA, defended February 14, 2020)
- 'Changing institutions. A study of micro level mechanisms.' Jacqueline van Bremen (UvA, defended May 2018).
- Social networks, policy and pro-social behavior; Arjen de Wit (UvA/VU, defended January 2018).
- Family and Personal networks. How a partner and children affect social relationships. Jesper Rözer, defended, UU, March 7, 2016)
- Social Networks of prisoners and their change during detention, Ruben de Cuyper VU/NSCR (defended May 8, 2014).
- 'Social Capital and Health' Phd-project of Sigrid Mohnen, UU, (defended January 13, 2012).
- Networks in closed settings. Effects of informal relations on patient behavior and therapy'. PhD- project of Ruud van der Horst, RUG, (defended November 7, 2011)

- ‘Neighborhood community and entrepreneurial activities’. Wouter Steenbeek, UU, (defended May 20, 2011).
- ‘Neighborhood and businesses. Bart Sleutjes, UU, (defended October 2011).
- ‘Networks in Context’. Gerald Mollenhorst, UU, (defended, May 8, 2009, Utrecht; *cum laude*).
- ‘Getting a Job in Hungary’. Tamas Bartus, ICS/University of Groningen. (defended: May 15, 2002).

Project supervision - other projects:

- 2015-2017: ‘Crime and situational influences’ Evelien Hoeben (postdoc, UvA/NSCR).
- 2006-2009. Supervision of two postdoc projects (Herman Lelieveld; Karien Dekker; principal researcher: Rene Torenvlied).
- ‘Allochtone jongeren en crimineel gedrag. Een empirische studie’. Project in cooperation with Research Bureau Driessen, financed by the Ministry of Internal Affairs.
- ‘Zeg me wie je vrienden zijn. Netwerken van allochtonen jongeren en crimineel gedrag’. Project in cooperation with the Research Bureau Driessen, financed by the Ministry of Intern Affairs.

Manuscript committee of Phd theses:

- 2021: Fleur Goedkoop (RUG), Eva Vriens (UU), Iris Glas (EUR), Xing Su (UU), Thijs van der Steg (UvA), Simone Pekelsma (RUG)
- 2020: Marnix Kros (UU) Ana Petrovic (Delft), Lonneke van den Berg (UvA/RU), Su Xing (UU), Andreas Huck (UU), Marcel Bednarz (UU), G.B. Suprayoga (UU), Simone Pekelsma (RU)
- 2019: Mirjam Fischer (UvA), Maarten ter Huurne (UU), Marianne de Beer (UU), Nina Conkova (EUR), Joep Schaper (UvA), Mathijs Kroos (UU)
- 2018: Loes van Rijswijk (RUG)
- 2017: Emily Miltenburg (UvA), Annemarie Ruijsbroek (UvA)
- 2016: Beau Oldenburg (RUG), Sander Stijn (UvA), Martijn Jungst (Maastricht)/ Bram Eidhoff (UvA), Giacomo Solano (UvA, Milaan), Levi van den Bogaard (UvA)
- 2015: Els Bosschman (Delft)
- 2014: Jaap Nieuwenhuis (UU), Melissa Navarra (LUW), Michael Savekoul (RU), Esther Havekes (UU)
- 2013: Sandra van Beek (UU), Hanneke Posthumus (UU), Brigitte Bloem (VU)
- 2011: Maurits de Klepper (VU), Karin Peters (LUW), Marieke van Schellen (UU), Carlinde Adriaanse (Delft), Miranda Vervoort (UU), Tim Huijts (RU)
- 2010: Lisa Peters (UVA), Gwen van Eijk (U-Twente), Erik van Ingen (KUB)
- 2009: Hans Berten (Gent), Rense Corten (UU), Tom van der Meer (RU), Pascal Parmentier (UU), Chris R. Folmer (VU)
- 2008: Margreet Frieling (RUG)

b) Organization of conferences, symposia, conference sessions, colloquia (selection)

- 2022: NSCR lecture series, Community, wildlife crime and restorative justice, with Andrew Lemieux and Antony Pemberton
- 2020/2022. Scientific board of INSNA XXXX Sunbelt Social Network conference in Paris (online conference because of Covid-19). Scientific Board of ESCR 2020 in Amsterdam
- 2019. Organisatie van de ‘Dag van de Sociologie’ UvA, June, 27.
- 2018. Organization of INSNA XXXVIII Sunbelt Network Conference in Utrecht (together with Vincent Buskens and Eva Jaspers, UU).
- 2016. Scientific Board of European Conference on Social Networks (EUSN).
- 2012. Theme coordinator ‘social networks’ on the Dutch/Belgium ‘day of sociology’.
- 2010. Organization Symposium on social and physical order in Dutch neighborhoods (October 13). Utrecht.

- 2009. KNAW/van der Gaag symposium on ‘biological, psychological and sociological determinants of prosocial behavior’, (September 3) Trippenhuis, Amsterdam.
- 2009. Networks and Markets. Symposium organization. August,12-13, organized together with Rafael Wittek/ University of Groningen.
- 2008. Prosocial behavior. Perspectives from psychology, sociology and educational sciences. Symposium, July 3 Utrecht.
- 2007. Symposium on Life Chances of Firms and Neighborhoods; May 15, Utrecht.
- 2001- present. Organization of lunch colloquia at the Department of Sociology, Utrecht University.
- 2003. KNAW Akademie colloquium on Social Capital Research, October 30-31. Trippenhuis, Amsterdam.
- 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003. Organization of national and international conference sessions: Networks in Eastern Europe; Local Communities and Social Capital; Meeting and ‘Mating’.
- 1999. International Conference on ‘Creation and Returns of Social Capital in Labour Markets and Education (SCALE)’. Host: University of Amsterdam. December 8-11.
- 1998. Symposium: ‘Buren en Buurten. Onderzoek op het snijvlak van sociale geografie en sociologie.’ Utrecht, June 19.
- 1996. Symposium. ‘Institutional Transformation and Social Capital’. Budapest, December 4-6.

c) Primary Data Collection

- 2021: Networks during lockdown, wave 3.
- 2020: Intergenerational Networks during corona. Panel-survey of 2019 project.
- 2019: Intergenerational Networks in the Netherlands (n=1900) Online questionnaire (will take place in April 2019)
- 2017: 4th wave of SSND, The survey of the Social Networks of the Dutch.
- 2017. Inquiring into close relationships. online questionnaire, n=1500. Replication of Mario Small’s study in the Netherlands.
- 2015. Collecting data on large scale field experiments (Broken windows experiments). 83 experiments in 3 neighborhoods.
- 2013/2014. SSND3. Third wave of Panel on the Social Networks of the Dutch (n=+/- 1000).
- 2008. Survey of the Social Networks of Entrepreneurs (SSNE) Survey among local entrepreneurs in the SSND neighborhoods (see SSND2; n=384).
- 2007/2008. Panel of the ‘Social Survey of the Networks of the Dutch’. (SSND2a and b; n=604/384). Repetition of the National representative survey of 2000 and refreshment sample.
- 2003. Networks of members of ‘improvising theatre associations’ (theater-sportverenigingen), in cooperation with Miranda Jansen and Vincent Buskens, Utrecht University (n=100 associations and 1500 individuals).
- 2003. ‘Networks of foreign adolescents in the Netherlands’ Data collection in cooperation with Bureau Driessen, Utrecht, financed by the Ministry of Intern Affairs (n=736)
- 2000. ‘Social Survey of the Networks of the Dutch’. (SSND1 and SSND2) National representative panel survey, n=1000 respondents, 160 neighborhoods.
- 1997/1999. ‘Getting a Job in Hungary after the institutional transition’. Panel study among 700 school-leavers in urban areas of Hungary.
- 1992-1994. ‘Personal Networks in the Former GDR’. Panel study (n=500) in Leipzig and Dresden, three moments of measurement.

6 Visiting professorships (selection)

- 2023: Hongkong University (postponed from 2021 because of covid-19)
- 2022: Toulouse, France

- 2020. Stockholm, Sweden (changed to series of online visits due to Covid)
- 2019. National University of Singapore
- 2017. EUI, Florence, Italy.
- 2016. Harvard University, US.
- 2016/17. University of Ljubljana, Slovenia,
- 2015. St Petersburg, Russia.
- 2014. Abo Akademi University Finland, Turku
- 2013. Higher School of Economics, Moscow.
- 2013. St Petersburg, State University.
- 2012. University of Maynooth, Ireland.
- 2011. University of Linköping, Sweden.
- 2009. National Cheng Chi University; Taipei, Taiwan.
- 2007. University of Trento; Italy.

7 (Board) Memberships and Services to the Profession

Editorial board memberships:

- 2020 - 2023: Editorial board '*Social Psychological Quarterly*'
- 2011- present: Editorial board of '*Social Networks*'
- 2005-2010: Editorial board of '*Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*' (Belgium)
- 2005-2009: Editorial board of '*International Sociology*' (UK)

Reviewer activities (selection):

American Journal of Sociology. American Sociological Review. British Journal of Sociology. Criminology. European Journal of Public Health. European Sociological Review. European Studies. Health & Place. Housing Studies. Journal of Behavioral Medicine. Journal of Crime and Behavior. Journal of Economic and Social Geography. Journal of Happiness. Journal of Marriage and the Family. Journal of Personal and Social Relationships. Journal of the Public Management Research Association. Journal of Transportation. Mens en Maatschappij. Nature Communications. Nature Human Behavior. Netherlands Journal of Social Sciences. Regional Studies. Social Forces. Social Networks. Social Psychological Quarterly. Social Science & Medicine. Social Science Research. Sociology of Work and Employment. Tijdschrift voor Criminologie. Tijdschrift voor Veiligheid en Veiligheidszorg. Urban Affairs Review. Urban Studies.

Activities in boards and research management/evaluation committees/Ancillary activities

- Figurehead Dutch National Science Agenda, Conflict and Cooperation
- Chair of board James Coleman Association, ICS, see <https://ics-graduateschool.nl/james-coleman-association>
- Board member Foundation Future Visions of Technology (Stichting Toekomstbeeld der Techniek), see <https://stt.nl/nl>
- EU-Programme Committee Member: CHANSE/Norface (2021-2024)
- Reviewer German National Science Foundation, Reviewer Belgian Science Foundation, Reviewer Science Foundation Hongkong
- Vice chair 'Johannes Juda Groen Stichting' for interdisciplinary research on social behavior, see <https://jgrogroensigsite.wordpress.com>
- Chair of final committee for secondary school exams in the social sciences (CVTE/CITO)
- Chair of scientific board Foundation 'Friendships in the Netherlands'
- Member of key focus area Institutions and Behavior, Utrecht University

- Member of Scientific Integrity Committee UU.
- Member of professor's promotion committee UU (HL-1 committee).

Previous board memberships and research evaluation committees

- Member of selection committee PhD students of the Belgic National Science Foundation
- Member of selection committee professor of sociology Cyprus University, Cyprus
- Reviewer for ERC Advanced Grant, Division Social Sciences
- Board member NORDFORSK, Oslo, societal security programme. (2021)
- Member of evaluation committee, research assessment sociology University of Vienna. (2021)
- Member of accreditation committee new BA-programme 'Quantitative Social Sciences' Central European University (CEU-PU) Vienna. (2021)
- Committee member of grant evaluation: NWO Replication Studies (2020)
- Member of Research Visit Board 'Stenden Hogeschool' Research Social Works and Arts Therapies' (2017)
- Member of panel for selection of talent grants (NWO) (2017)
- KNAW Fonds Staatsman Thorbecke committee. (2016-2020)
- Freeman Award Committee, INSNA Sunbelt Conference (2018).
- Board Member Formas (Swedish Research Council) "The challenges and opportunities of urbanization" (2018)
- Board member of MaGW-NWO, scientific board of social sciences (2007-2012)
- Member evaluation board for the curriculum of the bachelor and master's program of sociology at the University of Maynooth/Ireland (2006-20012)
- Member of the board of the ICS Research School (2009-2011)
- Chair of advisory committee of WODC research on terrorist networks (2010)
- Invited expert reviewer of the German National Science Foundation (DFG) on four proposals on the German excellence initiative. (2007)
- Member of NWO selection committee for VIDI-grants (2007)
- Chair of research advisory committee of the WODC (research department of the ministry of justice) in a research on interethnic contacts among adolescents (2006)
- Member of NWO-ESF selection committee (2006)
- Member of the NWO-MaGW referee committee, (open competition, 2005-2007)
- 2006-2010. Member of steering committee of the European Science Foundation (ESF) 'Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences (QMSS)

Services to the profession (other than media/public presence)

Next to memberships in boards or committees with a focus on national and international research or research evaluation I regularly participate in activities that are directed to both, social science and society.

- 2022: Meet the professor: teaching a lesson in a primary school class.
- 2022: teaching session: Wijkmakers Groningen: The DNA of a Neighborhood
- 2021/2022 Member of Ruigrok price committee. KHMW.
- 2021. Member of round table discussion: 'wetenschapsdialogen' - The Netherlands after the Pandemic, organized by Kessels & Smit for the Ministry of Internal Affairs.
- Breakfast-meeting: Utrecht and the Pandemic (meeting organized by AORTA, with officials of the municipality and larger firms of Utrecht)
- 2020: Work during corona. Presentation for a meeting of the 'directeuren hoger college van state', representors of first and second chamber of government.

- 2019: member of group discussion ‘The Netherlands in 2050’ organized by the Netherlands Institute for Social Research (SCP).
- 2017/2018. Guest-speaker for the scientific board municipality of Enschede: realizing social cohesion: who can do it?
- 2016/2017 Member of jury Jan Brouwer thesis award (KHMW, Royal Holland Society)
- 2015. Keynote ‘Social Cohesion in Dutch Neighborhoods’ Oranje Fonds’ (Denkerdag)
- 2014-2017. Member of Think Tank: Reorganization of the Police (Ministry of Justice)
- 2010-2014. Member of advisory committee of SCP research on vitality of urban areas
- 2009. Member jury ‘KNAW-onderwijsprijs’
- 2008. Member of expert group ‘sociale cohesie’ Ministerie van Justitie; Den Haag
- Member of NWO selection committee for VIDI-grants
- Member advisory committee of CBS research on sustainability (in relation to social capital)
- Member of supervision committee of SCP project on consequences of neighborhood diversity.
- Member of expert group on social capital and sustainability; organization: Statistics Netherlands
- 2008-2012. Member of supervision committee of Ministry of Justice on Application of Social Network data collection in forensic hospitals.
- 2009-2010. Member of advisory committee of SCP research ‘social capital in urban and rural areas’
- Member of expert group RMO; (gezin- en jeugdstudies)
- 2007. Member advisory committee for the Ministry of Justice, regarding implementation of network analyses in TBS hospitals

Membership in professional organizations, Research Schools, and Networks (past and present)

- AISSR (2015-2020), Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (UvA)
- AMCIS (2015-2020), Amsterdam Centre for Inequality Studies (UvA)
- ASA, American Sociological Association,
- CUS (2015-2020), Centre for Urban Studies (UvA)
- DUODECIM: ‘Utrechts Hoogleraren Vereniging’ (on invitation only)
- Dresscode030: ‘Societeit voor ondernemende vrouwen Utrecht’
- EAS, European Academy of Sociology
- ICS (1990-2020), Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology
- INSNA, International Network of Social Network Analysis,
- KHMW, Royal Holland Society of Sciences and Humanities
- KNAW, Young Academy (DJA) (status: alumna)
- NSV, Nederlandse Sociologen Vereniging.

8 Teaching and Coordination of Teaching

From 2016 – 2019, I was director of the bachelor’s program ‘Interdisciplinary Social Sciences’, UvA. In this position, I designed a new curriculum for this bachelor’s course, with the goal to strengthen the focus on research and application of research in the teaching program and make the program distinct from sociology and psychology. During these years I developed a novel view on

interdisciplinary studies, where the disciplines were first 'boiled down' to their core-assumptions and then became interwoven through discussions of selected research (and social) problems. Furthermore, I prepared and wrote the report for the new NVAO accreditation, which was very successfully held in February 2018 and organized the name change from General Social Sciences to Interdisciplinary Social Science (with on purpose no plural!).

Bachelor Courses (UU/UvA)

Networks and Cities (BA3)
Problems and theories of sociology (BA1)
Inequality and Health (BA2-3)
Perspectives on Inequality (BA20-3)
Social Networks and Network Analysis (BA3)
Social networks in theory and empirical research (BA3)
Coordination: International exchange program with Cologne and Mannheim for bachelor students (BA2/3)
Coordination of minor 'social sciences' for students of economics

Master Courses (UU/Uva)

Network Analysis
Networks in and between organizations Neighborhoods, problems and solutions
Organizations and Labor Market
Supervision of master's theses and Traineeships

Research master courses (UU/UvA)

Key Thinkers in Human Geography
Spatial Inequality
Social Networks and Social Capital
Research practical: Application of social theory: social network analysis
Supervision of literature review and master thesis projects
Coordination of research training and practical
Thesis Seminar

From 2009-2015 I was director of the master's program Sociology and Social Research (SaSR) at Utrecht University. The program was visited in 2015 by the NVAO and was evaluated 'as the best of its kind'.

Other activities related to teaching and coordination of teaching as well as research:

- 2015- 2019. Member Educational Board PhD program AISSR
- 2015- 2016. Chair Exam Committee of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences UvA.
- 2014. Author of self-evaluation report of 'Sociology and Social Research' (SaSR, evaluation: very good/excellent)
- 2009 - 2015. Member of jury 'Swanborn prijs' for best bachelor/master thesis in the social sciences Utrecht University.
- 2007- 2015: Member of *Board of Studies* (BoS), Graduate School Social Sciences Utrecht.
- 2006 – 2015: Coordinator of 'minor in the social sciences' for students of economics.
- 2007-2010: Member of steering committee of the Faculty of Social Sciences on issues concerning international teaching
- 2003 - 2008. Chair of education committee Graduate School Social Sciences Utrecht.

9 Public and Media Presence (selection)

Quite regularly, I give interviews for local and national newspapers or for local and national TV programs such as 'editie NL' or 'RTV Utrecht'.

- 2021. price-winning essay KHMW 'Corona and Society'.
'Zweefcollege' Tivoli, Utrecht, over Vriendschappen tijdens corona
Workshop 'hoe vrienden maken?' Project blik op talent, hogeschool Amsterdam.
Long read interview in 'Financial Dagblad', weekend edition.
- 2020. Speaker at startblok estafette (Startblok is a housing project for 'statushouders' and student in Amsterdam. Estafette event is a Ted talk series where scientists reflect on this enterprise)
Interview Radio 1: Friendships during corona.
- 2019. Speaker at 'Festival van de Gelijkheid'. 30 november, Gent, Belgium. Interviews de Volkskrant, AD, NRC Next, Flow, Charlie, Radio 3 fm
Video clip: Rembrandt's Network, Exposition Rembrandthuis, Amsterdam, February – June/ speaker at dakdiner Amsterdam
Speaker at: de buren, culture club, Brussel, May.
Speaker at: WeTheCity, Amsterdam (July)
Podcast on social cohesion and friendship: Lifestyle Design Podcast.
- 2018. OEROL-college 'Identity in modern times' Waddenakademie/
Interviews in de Volkskrant, Radio 1, Radio 4, Psychologie Magazine
- 2017. interviews in Parool, AD, NRC, VIVA
- 2016. Guest speaker 'Café de Zwijger, evening on friendship; guest speaker Studium Generale Utrecht University.
- 2015. Interviews: editie NL; De Volkskrant, Het Parool.
- 2014. Presentation: Festival der Beschaving. Utrecht
- Interview: Hoe? Zo? (Friendship networks)
- Interview: Science Café UU (Friendships)
- 2013. Interview: Radio 1 Belgium, about neighborhood relationships
- 2012. Interview: Radio 1, about neighborhood relationships Radio 1, interview: on adult friendship networks
- 2011. June 25, 7-8 pm: Radio interview (Radio 1, Pavlov) on 'friendships
Interview: UU-alumni and lustrum site, 375 Utrechtse portretten
De grilligheid van locale relaties. Lezing Studium Generale, March 12, Utrecht.
- 2007. interview on television (KRO), program 'Do I have enough?' on the number of friends of the Dutch
Report on my research in 'De Verwondering. Wetenschap in Nederland; Publieksjaarboek van NWO'.

10 Publications

- **Inaugural speech:** 'In ieder's belang. Sociologische determinanten voor de productie van collectieve goederen' Utrecht, July 3, 2008.
- **Dissertation:** "'Should auld Acquaintance be forgot...?' Institutions of Communism, the Transition to Capitalism and Personal Networks: the Case of East Germany" (332p) Rozenberg Publishers/Thela Thesis, Amsterdam.

Books

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Presentations/keynotes at conferences and invited lectures (selection)

My work is regularly presented at conferences such as the Sunbelt Social Network Conference, at the European Conference of Sociology and at the Dutch National Day of Sociology. The selection hereafter presents occasions I liked in particular and felt honored to present.

2022 - Panel member 'Sociology of the Future' DVDS Groningen, June 2022

- Presentation: Social impact of covid, lessons for policy makers. Rotterdam (EUR/HVA)
- 2021 - Networks in the era of big data. Keynote at the European Social Network Conference, Napoli, September 3-10.
- 2019 - Migration and social networks. Summer school seminar Groningen University
 - Future of Social Capital. Keynote Speaker at symposium Singapore University (December 28/29).
 - Keynote 'In all places? Contextualizing broken window theory' Research days, Dept. of Human Geography and Spatial Planning, Utrecht University, April 11, Zwolle.
 - Great Thinker Seminar: Diego Gambetta. AISSR talk.
- 2018 - Panel discussion chair: the future of ego-centered network data. Sunbelt Conference Utrecht, June.
- 2017 - Revisiting broken windows. Lecture at EUI, Florence.
 - Social capital, communities and beyond. Seminar at the Department of Sociology, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia.
- 2016 - Social Networks in the area of big data. Presentation at Harvard University, Symposium on Ego centered networks. November 3, 2016
- 2015 - Summerschool lecturer on neighbors, networks and social capital in *St Petersburg*
 - Order in Context, March 31, Utrecht (symposium for the honoree doctorate of Robert Sampson)
- 2013 - East Germany – still different? Friendship patterns in societies in transition. Lecture at High School of Economics, *Moscow*, September.
 - A decade Years of network change. Not persons but functions count. Lecture at the Sociology Colloquium Series Nuffield College. November, Oxford.
 - Workshop on social disorder, NSCR (by invitation only), Amsterdam, October 24-25.
 - Member of Round table discussion on networks of disadvantaged; Free University, Amsterdam, October 11.
 - Making money through networks? Lecture on the Symposium of Making Money in Science, Amsterdam, Westergasfabriek. AMC Research team; April 17. Amsterdam.
- 2011 - Seminar (Theory and application of social capital), University of Linköping, Sweden, September 28-29.
 - 'STARTREK' and what it tells us about Sociology. Lezing op het symposium ter ere van Gerard 't Hoofd 16-11 Geertekerk, Utrecht
 - Lecture ('Putnam en de verloren brieven') Plenary conference, Sociaal Wetenschappelijke Raad, Leusden, May 20/21.
 - Invited speaker at Humboldt University, Germany, May 30. Colloquium on neighborhood social order.
 - Lecture at the Department of Sociology, Gent University, May 18.
 - Lecture at Symposium on neighborhood studies, Max Planck Institute Goettingen, Germany, April 26.
 - Summerschool lecture on 'theory and application of social capital', Taipei, Taiwan, Cheng Chi University, August 10-14.
 - 'Neighborhoods as places to dwell and to work' invited lecture University of Bielefeld, June 22.
 - Co-referaat NSV dag van de sociologie, commentaar op NSV-lezing Jan Willen Duyvendak; Amsterdam, June 11
- 2009 - 'Neighborhoods and neighbors in the Netherlands' invited lecture University of Cologne, March 27.
 - On turtles and human beings. Neighborhood composition, social capital, and collective action'. Keynote speech on the International conference on Social Capital, volunteering and aging; Hongkong City University; Hongkong, December 15-19.

- Neighborhoods, communities, and collective goods and bads' Lecture at Nuffield College, Oxford, UK; December 1.
- 'Buurten, gemeenschappen, collectieve goederen en – kwaden. NSV Actualiteitencollege, Den Haag. November 11.
- 'Buurten, breuklijnen en interventies' Lezing op de Studiedag Sociale Netwerken; WODC; Scheveningen, Oktober, 29.
- 'Vertrouwen op waarde geschat' SER/Verwey Jonker Lezing; Den Haag, September 3.
- Using a choice-constraint approach to study similarity in intimate relationships. Paper resented at Seminar on Inequality, religion and social or organization. Nuffield College, Oxford, October 22
- 2008 - Reproduction of Inequality in the Netherlands through the Creation of and Returns to Social Capital? Presentations at Academica Sinica, *Taipei, Taiwan*, May 29-30.
- 2007 - 'Research on social networks and social capital' Lecture at the Social and Cultural Planning Office (SCP) January 24.
- Foes at work. Conditions for the evolution of negative relationships in work organizations. Presentation at the National German Sociology Conference, Kassel, October 9-13.
- 2005 - Community at work. Community and Solidarity in Dutch Organizations' Symposium on Networks and Social Capital, Bielefeld, November 10-11.
- 'Social Capital and Community'. Keynote at session of measurement of social capital, EASR conference Barcelona, 18-22 July.
- Where friends are met. The association between meeting places and resulting relationship' Lecture at Nuffield College, Oxford, United Kingdom, April 27.
- 'Solidarity at the workplace' Lecture at the University of Duisburg-Essen, April 20.
- When are neighborhoods communities? Community in Dutch Neighborhoods' Lecture at the Symposium on 'Life in Urban Environments' University of Ireland, Maynooth, April 8.
- 2004 - 'Sociale netwerken, gemeenschap en informele controle in buurten'. Presentation at the workshop 'Burten en opsporing' Leiden, NSCR, May 27.
- Contexten, contacten en consequenties.' Presentation at the conference 'Toekomst van de Sociologie' organized by Royal Dutch Academy (KNAW Verkenningcommissie 'Sociologie'), Amsterdam, April 18.
- 2002 - 'Sociale netwerken en delinquent gedrag'. Lecture at the 'debate on crime and groups', SISWO, Amsterdam, September 20.
- 'Sociaal Kapitaal – Theorie en voorbeelden van onderzoek'. Onderzoeksdag Maatschappelijke Integratie van TBS-Patiënten. Dr. S. van Mesdagkliniek, Groningen, September 12.
- 1998 - 'Networks as ties that bind' - an introduction to social networks. Workshop at the National Sociological Study Day, Utrecht, May 11.
- 'Coping with stress at work through personal networks. Workshop at the 'National Training for Police Officers'. Kerkebosch, March 20
- 'Local environment and its consequences for social behavior'. Lecture at the Royal Dutch Profession for Engineers. The Hague, February 20.
- 1997 - Perverse effects of weak ties in the former GDR. Presentation at the conference "Management of Matches", Woudenberg, June 17-22, 1997.
- 1996 - Human and social capital and the institutional transformation. Workshop at the University of Economic Sciences, *Budapest*, December 6-8, 1996.
- 1995 - East Germans - immigrants to their own country?' Presentation at the Foundation for Dutch- German-Dialogue. Zandvoort, November 10.

- 1994 - 'Changes in personal networks in the former GDR as a consequence of the institutional turn?' Colloquium University of Cologne, Institute of Ethnology, January 8.
- 1993 - 'Structures and functions of social relationships in the former GDR before the institutional turn.' Colloquium, Institute of Sociology, University of Leipzig, Germany, July 5.
 - 'Fieldwork in a society in transition. Report of the fieldwork in 1992'. Colloquium, Center for the Social Sciences, Columbia University, New York; November 8.
- 1992 - 'Personal networks in a communist society.' Colloquium LASMAS, CNRS, Paris; December 6.